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FM AMEMBASSY MEXICO

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 8154

INFO AMCONSULATE MAZATLAN

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: CPRS (MACKENZIE, JOHN)

SUBJ: RETURNED PROPERTY OF MACKENZIE

REF: STATE 257887

1. CONGRESSMAN FORTNEY STARK'S OFFICE INTERESTED.

2. EMBASSY HAS SECURED MR. MACKENZIE'S WRITTEN AUTHORIZATION TO RELEASE INFORMATION TO CONGRESSMAN STARK.

3. AMCONSUL MAZATLAN WILL PROVIDE DEPARTMENT WITH INFORMATION CONCERNING THE ASSISTANCE RENDERED TO MR. MACKENZIE IN ATTEMPTING TO RECOVER HIS POSSESSIONS.

4. HOTEL FREMONT ADVISED EMBASSY THAT MR. MACKENZIE HAD MOVED TO HOTEL ISABEL, AND MANAGEMENT OF THAT HOTEL ADVISED US THAT MR. MACKENZIE HAD BEEN LOCKED OUT FOR FAILURE TO PAY HIS BILL AND BECAUSE OF HIS DRINKING HABITS. THE HOTEL IS HOLDING SOME OF HIS THINGS FOR PAYMENT OF THE BILL. IT APPEARS THAT HE HAS BEEN WITHOUT FUNDS FOR SOME TIME AND HAS LIVED THROUGH CADGING MEALS AND MONEY FROM LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS AND INDIVIDUALS. WE HAVE BEEN INFORMED BY ONE OF THE LATTER THAT MR. MACKENZIE OBTAINED SOME MEALS BY SIGNING THAT PERSON'S NAME TO THE BILLS.

5. WHEN HE CAME TO THE EMBASSY TO SIGN THE PRIVACY ACT AUTHORIZATION, HE INDICATED THAT HE WAS AWAITING UNCLASSIFIED

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AN ADVANCE ON HIS INSURANCE AS A RESULT OF A LETTER

HE SENT ON OCTOBER 13. SINCE SEVERAL WEEKS ARE
LIKELY TO PASS BEFORE THIS MONEY IS RECEIVED, IF IT
IS, AND BECAUSE MR. MACKENZIE APPEARS TO HAVE NO
OTHER SOURCE OF FUNDS, EMBASSY OFFERED AND HE ACCEPTED
A SMALL REPATRIATION LOAN TO ENABLE HIM TO TRAVEL TO
CALIFORNIA BORDER BY BUS AND FOR SUBSISTENCE.

ARRANGEMENTS WERE MADE FOR HIM TO STAY AT ANOTHER HOTEL
AND HE WAS ADVANCED 150 PESOS TO COVER THE HOTEL AND
FOOD. HE WAS ASKED TO COME TO THE EMBASSY AT 9 AM ON
OCTOBER 21, SO THAT WE COULD TAKE HIM TO THE BUS
STATION, BUY HIS TICKET AND PROVIDE HIM WITH THE REMAINING
SUBSISTENCE MONEY. HE DID NOT APPEAR AT THE EMBASSY BY
4 PM, OCTOBER 21, AND THE HOTEL WHERE THE ARRANGEMENTS
WERE MADE REPORTED THAT HE DID NOT GO THERE.
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